

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
**INFORMATION REPORT**

25X1A

COUNTRY USSR

SUBJECT Railroad Management in the Baltic States  
25X1A

PLACE ACQUIRED  
(BY SOURCE)

DATE ACQUIRED  
(BY SOURCE)

DATE (OF INFO.)

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES, WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 18, SECTIONS 793 AND 794, OF THE U.S. CODE, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS TO OR RECEIPT BY AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. THE REPRODUCTION OF THIS REPORT IS PROHIBITED.

THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION  
25X1X

SOURCE

ORR NO.	
DAS NO.	
OCI NO.	

DATE DISTR. 25 FEB 54

NO. OF PAGES 2

NO. OF ENCLS.

SUPP. TO  
REPORT NO.

1. During Apr and May 1953 railroad management in the Baltic states was reorganized. Until this date each of the Baltic states had its own railroad management, which was directly under the Soviet Ministry of Transport. Under the reorganization a "Baltic Railroad Management" was set up, covering Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.
2. The Baltic Railroad Management is under the Soviet Ministry of Transport and is predominantly military in character. The military head of the office is Maj. Gen. I. S. Shmuel of the technical department of the Leningrad Military Zone. His official title is "Military Head of the Northwest Railroads."
3. The director of the Estonian railroad net is the Russian Alexei Vermolaievitch Kotov, born in Smolensk in 1910. Kotov completed his studies in the Railroad Institute in Leningrad in 1935. He bears the title of an Engineer and Colonel of the Railroad Transport Body.
4. After the reorganization all railroad men received the following instructions with regard to their relations to the military authorities:
  - (a) All railroad workers and administrators, regardless of age or sex, are to regard themselves as mobilized personnel in the service of the railroad.

SEE LAST PAGE FOR SUBJECT & AREA CODE

U.S. Officials Only  
SECRET

DISTRIBUTION	STATE	ARMY	NAVY	AIR	FBI	ORR	EV
--------------	-------	------	------	-----	-----	-----	----

This report is for the use within the USA of the intelligence components of the Departments or Agencies indicated above. It is not to be transmitted overseas without the concurrence of the originating office through the Assistant Directors of the Office of Collection and Dissemination, CIA.

-2-

- (b) Failures in performance will be treated as with military personnel on active service.
- (c) All crimes in connection with transport service will be tried before a military railroad court under military law.
- (d) The military railroad courts are authorized to punish railroad personnel by placing them in punishment battalions in order to offer the possibility of rehabilitation.

- end -

SECRET

# LIBRARY SUBJECT & AREA CODES

755.11	5M
103.681	N
755.11	25M
755.15	5M

down to

athonia

athonia